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[Report No. 119-]

To amend title 46, United States Code, to prohibit certain contracts for port operations and management, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2025

Mr. CALVERT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

APRIL --, 2025

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union,
and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 9, 2025]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Secure Our Ports Act*
5 *of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN CONTRACTS FOR PORT**
7 **OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 700 of*
9 *title 46, United States Code, is amended by adding at the*
10 *end the following:*

11 **“§ 70015. Prohibition on certain contracts for port op-**
12 **eration and management**

13 *“(a) IN GENERAL.—An owner or operator of a facility*
14 *for which a facility security plan is required under section*
15 *70103(c) of this title may not enter into a contract for the*
16 *ownership, leasing, or operation of such facility with an*
17 *entity that is—*

18 *“(1) a Chinese, Russian, North Korean, or Ira-*
19 *nian state-owned enterprise; or*

20 *“(2) a foreign entity for which any percentage is*
21 *owned by a country listed in paragraph (1).*

22 *“(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms ‘facil-*
23 *ity’, and ‘owner or operator’ have the meanings given such*
24 *terms in section 70101 of this title.”.*

1 **(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—*The analysis for chapter*
2 *700 of title 46, United States Code, is amended by inserting*
3 *after the item relating to section 70014 the following:*

“70015. Prohibition on certain contracts for port operation and management.”.